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Also enclosed a copy of a Preliminary Search Report, dated August 23, 2004, corresponding to the French Patent Application No: 0313234. Copies of available English abstracts of the aforementioned patents, are enclosed herewith.

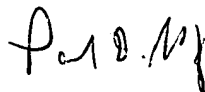
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Examiner is respectfully urged to review the listed references and to make the usual careful independent search for other prior art that may be pertinent.

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## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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## OTHER DOCUMENTS (including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

	Preliminary Search Report dated August 23, 2004 from corresponding French Patent Application 0313234 filed on November 12, 2003

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